



EPA to do Checkup on Superfund Cleanups in Bunker Hill “Box” and the Coeur d’Alene Basin

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has started a Five-Year Review of the Bunker Hill Mining and Metallurgical Complex Superfund Site. EPA is required to review Superfund cleanups every five years. The review will make sure the cleanup is moving forward as planned, and that it protects public health and the environment. The review will not change EPA’s cleanup approach but may make recommendations for improvements. EPA will evaluate the cleanups at the site’s “Operable Units”: the Bunker Hill “Box” populated areas, the “Box” non-populated areas, and the Coeur d’Alene Basin.

EPA would like to hear from you. If you have information that may help our review, write to Sheila Eckman, EPA Region 10, 1200 6th Avenue, ECL-113, Seattle, WA 98101, or e-mail eckman.sheila@epa.gov by **August 16, 2004**. If you have questions, call 206-553-0455 or 1-800-424-4372. TTY users may call the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339 and give the operator Sheila Eckman’s number.

The cleanup in the Box and the Basin includes a wide range of remedies. For example:

- cleaning up residential yards
- cleaning up commercial areas, rights-of-way, and common areas
- cleaning up recreational areas along the South Fork of the Coeur d’Alene River
- removing waste from historic mining and industrial facilities
- treating mine water at the Central Treatment Plant

This review will evaluate the effectiveness of completed remedies, and check the progress of remedies underway. EPA will complete the review by September 2005. To learn more, visit www.epa.gov/r10earth/, click on *Index A-Z*, then *C*, then *Coeur d’Alene Basin*.